Newtown Church of England Primary School



Growing together in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.

Newsletter Friday 17th January 2025

Message from the Head

This week we welcomed the Ofsted inspectors to Newtown to show them what a fantastic school we have.

These inspections are undoubtedly challenging, detailed, and intense experiences that place significant pressure on all staff members involved. However, our team demonstrated exceptional skill, collaboration, and a strong sense of camaraderie throughout, showcasing their love and passion for our school and, most importantly, for the well-being and education of our children.

This was also reflected in the feedback that the inspectors received from parents both in person and via the online survey. Thank you to those who responded – it was greatly appreciated.

Finally a thank you to our wonderful children who spoke at length to inspectors — often voluntarily - sharing their experiences of school and their love of learning. They all did fabulously well and were eager to share all that is great about Newtown.

The offical report and judgements will be released in a few weeks when I will be able to share more about the positive – but exhausting - week we have had.

I would also like to give a special mention to Mrs Liley, our Federation Deputy Headteacher, and Miss Jones, our Federation SENDCo. It goes without saying that their dedication and support for the children and staff of Newtown is hugely important and appreciated. Thank you both.

Morning Drop Off

One thing that was picked up by Ofsted inspectors was parents entering the school in the morning. This is a safeguarding concern and we ask that parents drop their child off in the foyer.

Most children happily walk into school, but we understand that some children are more nervous about entering the school than others. For those children, especially the younger ones, staff will welcome the children from the internal door into school – Mr Roberts will be stationed there.

Parents of Nursery children are welcome to bring them to the classroom should they feel the need to do so.

For parents who would like to speak to staff, please ask whoever is standing at the door if the member of staff is available to talk to. If they are, they will come to the front door. However, the start of the day is often tricky as staff are welcoming a class of children to their classrooms.

Parents are always welcome to arrange appointments to make staff members or contact teachers via Class Dojo. Thank you.





As in previous years, we are excited to announce that once more the Year 6 children will be visiting London for the day later in the year. More information will, be shared next week, but the date for the diary is Wednesday 2nd April.

Shining of the Week Owl Class

Edward for trying his very best and showing great perseverance in his phonics.

Hawk Class

Theo for becoming a real role model for others and highlighting our school rules and values.

Kestrel Class

Sadie for her amazing effort in literacy.

Osprey Class

Teddy for working with great dedication and perseverance.

Falcon Class

Sky for showing great confidence at Newtown and settling in so well.

Summer for performing with such confidence in class.

Attendance This Week

Owl - 93%★
Hawk - 95%★★
Kestrel - 94%★★
Osprey - 85%
Falcon - 93%★

Weekly average: 92% Class Dojo Champions

Owl Class

Oliver, Arabella, Darcie

Hawk Class

Felicity, Edith, Alex

Kestrel Class

Rocco-Joe, Rene, Otto

Osprey Class

Teddy, Percy, Olivia

Falcon Class

Alfred, Ava, Sky

Have a wonderful weekend, Your sincerely,

Mr Crompton.

Key School Dates

March

13th – 14th March Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip

Condover

April

2nd April Year 6 London Trip

May

12th – 15th May Year 6 SATs Week 16th May Summer Camp Out

June

8th – 13th June Phonics Screening Check

Year 4 Multiplication Check

20th June Summer Ball

